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FROM USREP ICAO

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SUBJ: ICAO - RATES AND FARES STUDY

1. AIR TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 15 RESULTED CONSIDERATION WORKING PAPERS (AT-OB 81/7). AT OPENING OF MEETING ANOTHER WORKING PAPER, AT-1179, WAS CIRCULATED, "ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL OF SENEGAL" REDRAFTING ALL OF PARA 14. DISCUSSION PROCEEDED BASED ON TEXT ON PAGE 7 ATTACHMENT TO 1175 (PIRSON PROPOSAL).

2. PROCEDURE BECAME CONFUSED, DIFFICULT, AND DISCUSSION FLOUNDERED AMONG VARIOUS WORKING PAPERS, AMENDMENTS TO AMENDMENTS, AND ASSORTED OVERALL SUGGESTIONS AND PROPOSALS. U.S. ABSTAINED ON THE VOTES AND CONTINUED ASKING BASIC QUESTIONS OF CONCERN REGARDING WHOLE APPROACH.

3. ESSENCE OF DIALLO PAPER PERMEATED DISCUSSION WITH CERTAIN REFERENCE TO FOLLOWING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES REPRESENTED BY HIS PROPOSAL. (A) PARA 14 (A) ADDS THE WORDS "AND COMPLETELY" BETWEEN "OBJECTIVELY" AND "INFORMED"; B) IT ADDED A SUB-PARA (A)(1) AS FOLLOWS: "THE CONTINUED COLLECTION OF ALL THE INFORMATION RELATING TO THE MACHINERY FOR ESTABLISHING FARES AND RATES REFERRED TO IN RESOLUTION A18-17, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE CRITERIA FOR CLASSIFICATION OF CITY-PARIS IN ROUTE GROUPS".

HOWEVER, HE AGREED TO HAVE THIS TAKEN UP IN THE CONTEXT (B) RATHER THAN (A). C) COMMITTEE VOTED TO EXCLUDE "CHARTER RATES" FROM (A)(1) ALTHOUGH "NON-SCHEDULED" STILL APPEARS IN PARA 13. D) DIALLO PAPER ADDS TO (A)(2) THE FOLLOWING: "SUCH AS THE COST OF CERTAIN RELEVANT WORLDWIDE ECONOMIC FACTORS" WHICH DIALLO DESCRIBED AS TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE IATA PROPOSAL AND U.S. PROPOSAL (SEE REFTTEL A PARA 3). HOWEVER, HE WITHDREW THIS SUGGESTION AND THE IATA CONCERN WILL BE TAKEN UP AS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED IN SUB-PARA 3 OF (B). E) DIALLO PROPOSAL OBVIOUSLY DESIGNED TO PUT A18-17 ON PERMANENT CONTINUING BASIS BY PUBLISHING "ON THE AVERAGE OF ONCE EVERY THREE YEARS" A FARES AND RATES SURVEY AND THIS "UPDATED INFORMATION" WOULD HAVE REGARD TO (B)(2) AIR PASSENGER FARES (NO OTHER MODES) AND (3) SUCH STUDIES "WOULD" NOT "COULD" DEAL WITH THE MACHINERY ESTABLISHING FARES AND RATES "AND" INSTEAD OF "OR" DEAL WITH THE PRINCIPLES, ETC.

4. LAST QUESTION AT END OF LONG MEETING WAS FROM U.S. MEMBER WHO ASKED WHAT SECRETARIAT ENVISIONED IN 14(A)(3) REGARDING "AIR CARRIER OPERATING ECONOMICS" IF IT DID NOT INTEND TO CONSIDER FUEL COSTS, WAGES/SALARIES, AIRPORT/ENROUTE PASSENGERS, ETC. SECRETARIAT RESPONSE INDICATED CLEARLY THE SHALLOWNESS AND UNORGANIZED BASIS ON WHICH SECRETARIAT PLANS TO PROCEED. US WAS COMPLIMENTED BY OTHER MEMBERS FOR CONSTRUCTIVE QUESTIONING AND MEETING ADJOURNED UNTIL MARCH 19 AFTERNOON.

5. PER DILLON/GRIP TELCON, U.S. REP NOW DEEPLY CONCERNED REGARDING POLICY IMPLICATIONS SHOULD ICAO BECOME DEEPLY AND "COMPLETELY" INVOLVED IN ONGOING STUDIES/ANALYSIS OF RATES/FARES AND REPEAT AND IATA MACHINERY.
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